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Automobiles and Others.

Automobile carelessness appalls us every day.

Not a day of the year but citizens

and probably equally dangerous ture security. class of conveyances.

Arming for Peace.

"Gentlemen may cry 'Peace!

Peace!' but there is no peace." On the contrary, we go on at our highest speed inventing means to make warfare more and more deadly. Maybe that is the way to peace. If so, it is a dark and dangerous Note the news in one or two is-

sues. It is not necessary to go back any further. All Europe is modifying its tactics according to the lessons taught in Manchuria and South Africa. The Dreadnought has proven herself not only the greatest fighting ship afloat, but one of the greatest sailors. Germany is developing a system of moving target trains to give practice to her artillery. The Prussian infantry is the subject of notices in scores of papers for remarkable discipline and endurance on the march. Bulgaria is developing a cavalry force that is making her greater neighbors sit up and take notice. England has twelve new torpedo boats. Russia's peace strength in Central Asia is 57,787 men, her war strength 99,247. Canada is experimenting with "bob" sleds to carry cannon.

This is the situation while delegates talk peace in New York. They are right, of course. The world would be vastly better off if the majority of the court in this case money, talent and life expended on has made human life a cheaper comman-killing machinery were to be modity than lumber." thrown into a mill pond. But so Railroad employes are intelligent would the world be better off without scarlet fever or smallpox, if we quasi-public servants. They have could get rid of them—which we felt the weight of Federal injunccan't. Until we can get rid of war, tions, holding them to their duties all honor to the Peace delegates as public servants under conditions who oppose the war spirit, and all obnoxious to their sense of justice. who oppose the war spirit, and all obnoxious to their sense of justice. CAPTAIN HOBSON PLANS which is not willing to put the which is not willing to put the eral court when it opposes them. United States at the mercy of the They know that in this matter of wildest nation which chooses to make war upon us.

No Political Mirage.

Mr. Bryan may claim the credit of impressing upon the public mind more issues than any other American in public life. That he is intent upon running up his score seems apparent from the readiness with which he has taken up the initiative and referendum. This brings to mind the fact which a considerable number of persons, not including Mr. Bryan, however, have overlooked-the fact that the initiative and referendum already has a stalwart bodyguard beneath the dome.

It is something of a commentary upon the brevity of political mem- ham. Not yet. But winter is wobory that little has been said since bling on his underpinning and the Mr. Bryan spoke up for the initia- God of Songs may be on the way. tive and referendum, about the sup- When he comes, we don't know what port which that policy received in the men of your Western country the last Congressional elections. will do; but here in the East we The American Federation of Labor shall hide downtown and try to forand the National Federation for get the vision left behind at home-People's Rule addressed questions a vision of a woman pretty as a ripe to all Congressional candidates. apple at other seasons, but disfig-They were asked whether they ured now by a miserable dust cloth would support the initiative and about her hair and enthroned with a the Duke and Duchess of Manchester referendum, the eight hour and grim jaw in a house all upset with anti-injunction bills. Those who sweeping, mopping, and bad meals. said "Yes" were blessed, and those The trouble with poets is that who said "No" were damned. One they forget the real signs of spring. hundred and nine members of the They write of "somethings whisper-Sixtieth Congress will take their ing from the ground," and "ethereal oath of office next December with mildness" and "the year's pleasant the knowledge that their written king." But they forget all about the pledges are held for the policy things out of place in the library which Mr. Bryan has now tagged (which upset the poets as much as

with Democracy's mark. nerstone on which to build, espe-

After Better Navigation Laws.

The fruits of the recent naviga-have begun to appear in a petition writes about, as it "shakes a thouto be presented to the President, The Times is served in the city of Washington and District of Columbia by newsboys, sho deliver and collect for the paper on heir own account at the rate of 6 cents a week for the Evening and 5 cents a copy or the Sunday edition.

Entered to the Fresident, asking for a national commission to revise the statutes and regulations as to navigation along our shores. The revision committee will be requested at the postoffice at Washington, D. The revision committee will be re- May, when she writes: solutely necessary that something be done for the strengthening of the inspection of crews on passenger steamships; for the bettering of their personnel; for the safer construction and equipment of alf-when it actually happens, coastwise steamships, and for the Horse-and-wagon carelessness ap reporting of all violations of the palls none of us-and it happens rules of the road as applied to these

craft. No doubt can be raised of the need step back from the curb in fright of reforms along these lines. Only at the swoop 'round the corner of the other day an expert in steamsome delivery wagon. Not a day boat construction and management but the driver of some automobile declared that there were at present risks his life and a property fre- a number of craft running in Long quently worth several thousands of Island Sound whose weaknesses abdollars through the sudden backing, solutely threatened the lives of or turning contrary to the rules, of those that they daily and nightly some horse and vehicle regarded by carried. It is poor policy to wait President Stickney by branding him as and schools, sanitation, immigration and the authorities as safe as a four-post for the lessons of great disasters. the authorities as safe as a four-post for the lessons of great disasters. Yet when they come it is still Regulations for automobiles we poorer policy, it is indefensible neghave a-plenty. With the abundant lect, to fail to take advantage of police power vested in them by Con- whatever is taught through death gress, it is a distinct wonder the and sorrow. The way to prevent Commissioners have not drafted other catastrophes is to gather from similar regulations for this other those of the past the means of fu- for politi-

A Judicial Anomaly.

The Supreme Court now has under consideration the employers' liability bill of the last Congress, and a decision may be expected before many months as to whether or not the Federal Government can extend to men working for interstate carriers the protection that the laws of every State and of almost every for some real politics. other country guarantee. When argument on this measure was ended the court was tendered a report of a committee of fifty leading railroad lawyers, holding the act unconstitu-

Nullification of this law would go farther than anything in many years to justify criticisms of the Federal courts. Heretofore the Suyears to justify criticisms of the preme Court has held-in the Baugh ase-that an interstate railway in Ohio could kill or maim its employes without liability, while an intrastate road paralleling it must pay. This is an anomaly which cannot be continued without justifying most vigorous protest.

This Baugh case was decided under the so-called general law, which means, in effect, the will of the judge making the decision. Interpretations of this character have beome so numerous and oppressive that one of the foremost Federal judges, in a dissenting opinion, was moved to say that "the decision of a

the employers' liability it has power to do them a great service. As an intelligent man, albeit a layman as to knowledge of the law, the railroad employe has never been able to understand why the Federal court intelligent, but can't see this point.

On Spring Housecleaning.

Who saw the steps of winter end? Who saw the God of songs descend from the bright porches of the sun, To build this green pavilion?

Nobody in these parts, Mr. Mark-

ordinary men, we'll bet) and the PLAN TO MAKE UNIFORM Of course, one hundred and nine hurry-up breakfasts, and the poor, is less than half of three hundred tired, cross, discouraged woman the and sixty-eight, but it cannot be de- man of the establishments finds nied the proportions of a good cor- when he gets home at night. If they had a sense of perspective

facts that perhaps Mr. Bryan is not tals to do is to avoid the poet's misome of those he has pursued in the cleaning doesn't blind us to the hardy little crocusses and the doctor. chasing so luminous a rainbow as take. We must look out that houseriolet and the anemone. We must not let the dust of our favorite nook near the library fireplace choke out the inspiring, cool air of these sand boughs." And maybe we must sking for a national commission to do a little housecleaning of our own. Florence Morse Kingsley points the way for us in "The Nautilus" for

I search for and cast out all outworn prejudices, all musty accumulations of false ideas, all uncharitableness, to-gether with jealousies, great and small, hatefulness, strife, evil ambitions, covet-ousness and the carping critical spirit which loves to speak evil of my neigh-hor.

bor.

I wash and feel myself to be cleansed in the abundant water of Life. I am refreshed, purified, made whole and beautiful. I dwell at peace in a clean house, "thoroughly furnished to all good works".

If the Rhode Island situation ends in a smash-up, it's a good bet that nobody will ever be able to find the pieces.

The latest thing to boom for Foraker

Down at the finish, Colonel Colt is going like a mighty promising three-year-old.

Doubtless the new President of Honduras has a gasolene launch around in

some handy cove, with the assistance of which he can abdicate in case of

cal consumption, and got de-

Nobody could read Secretary Taft's statement on his return from Panama and note the skill with which he says nothing about any of the things that people wanted him to talk about, and still doubt that he is disposed to go in

Mr. Harriman's \$2,000,000 lodge in a ast wilderness will be mighty conenient for him in case of further trou-

President Roosevelt can count on the te of the elks that have horns, any-

BOSTON, April 23 .- Chancellor Day, of Syracuse University, broke loose legain in defense of "tainted money" at meeting of the Methodist Social

"Tainted money," he said, "is money, evertheless. It is only made tainted by the judgment of the demagogue and Pharisee, and is good enough for all practical purposes, such as the buildng of college buildings.

What we want is a little Godly vorldliness in our churches," he said. It goes hand in hand with spiritual-We ought to have the prayers and dollars, but in some cases dollars be-

He urged that the church should take

Capt. Richmond Pearson Hobson, the new member of Congress from Alabama, has just organized a campaign that is designed to bring much light ing, but is without power to protect his right to compensation for injuries due to negligence of the emulation to the people of his distinct. He has planned a trip through his district, commencing at Tuscaloosa on May 5 and lasting for more than three weeks. Accompanying Representative one of the contraction of the people of his district. juries due to negligence of the em-ployer. And there are a good many Hobson there will be four Government clerk at the other that he was coming experts from the Agricultural Department and one from the Postoffice Department. Those from the former are experts on soils, good roads, forestry, and cotton culture. The man from the Postoffice Department represents the rural free delivery service.

At each stop on the trip there is to be a public meeting, at which each of the experts, who are being paid by Uncle Sam, by the way, will give half-hour talks. other people who believe themselves experts from the Agricultural Depart-intelligent, but can't see this point. ment and one from the Postoffice De-

talks.
Phil Painter, formerly private secre-tary to Captain Hobson, will accompany the party on the trip.

MRS. SMITH RETURNS, BRINGING HER DEAD

HONOLULU, April 23.-Mrs. J. H. Smith and daughter, accompanied by CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY arrived on the steamer Siberia today with the remains of James H. "Silent" Smith, from Kobe, en route to New

The widow was a recluse during the ing late at night after the passengers retired, when she took occasional walks on the deck. The party will be met in San Francisco by the Zimmerman private car for immediate conveyance to New York.

BILLS OF LADING LAWS

Beginning Monday, May 13, at 10 o'clock a. m., the committee on commercial law of the commissioners on uniform State laws will hold a meeting given at Rauscher's tonight. cially as thirty-five of the number are Republicans.

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PUBLIC HEALTH

Issues Order Against Government Employes Fostering Project.

President Roosevelt has taken a hand in the movement to create a new De-partment of Public Health, to be represented in the Government by a Cabinet officer. He has issued instructions that Government employes must not serve as members of the general committee of 100, which is in charge of this move ment, or of subordinate committees to

The movement has for its purpose to stablish a department that shall not only take over the duties of the meat inspection, Federal quarantine, pure food, public health, and marine hos vice, vital statistics, work of the census life-saving service, and some other bu It seems mighty unkind to denounce such a pleasant old philanthropist as bureaus of infant hygiene, education labor conditions, registration of physic cians and surgeons, and a number of others. It is declared that the bureau already organized, which it would be desirable to place under the new de partment, are costing the Government bout \$7,000,000 a year, and that \$100,000, Probably that earthquake that was 600 could well be expended in the ag felt in Virginia was on its way to Ohio gregate activities of such a department It is explained that President Roos velt's prohibition of Government offi If Foraker's Presidential prospects depend on Iowa, and if Foraker is the real obstacle to Taft, then it would be as well to place an order for extra dimension lumber with which to build the platform for the inaugural ceremonies. cials interesting themselves is not based

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G. W. U. ALUMNI BANQUETS TONIGHT

Miss Olga Nethersole, As Sensuous Sapho, Again Wins Audience



MISS OLGA NETHERSOLE,

As Fanny Le Grande, in Act Four, of "Sapho," at the National.

Then Prof. Norton takes up the economic cost of sickness. Taking an average of nine days per year lost by sickness, the total for the nation is 2,000,000 years of life lost per annum. Placing wages at only \$1 per day, the loss is thus \$1,444,000,000 per annum in this way. Cut down the illness one-third and the annual saving would be \$500,000,000.

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Gizeh, Egypt, with the pyramids seen

In writing "Swell Elegant Jones," the vehicle in which Ezra Kendall is starring this season, and which had its first Washington presentation at the Columbia last night, the author, Herbert Hall Winslow, made an attempt to imitate George Ade's delineation of character types and at its best it can be. acter types, and at its best it can be the best work he has done this season. called but an imitation. It is verbose without being especially witty, and throughout, and Jeff W. Murphy, as many of its scenes are prolonged until Valentine, was satisfactory.

many of its scenes are prolonged until they become really tiresome.

As has been usually the case since the second act to excerpts from his well-known monologues. At the close of the first and legisters where capably handled. J. Louis Scrivener, N. B. Hunter, Harry A. Chick, and D. B. Galleher, a quartet of Washington boys, were seen for the first time, and sang the songs are little Douglass Joss, who plays the part of "Chub," Jones' son. The child's acting is both natural and delightful.

Mr. Kendall left vaudeville for the legitimate stage, he has been unfortunately surrounded by a company that is considerably beneath him in efficiency, save little Douglass Joss, who plays the part of "Chub," Jones' son. The child's incident to the play.

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The scenery was adequate, and the opportunity afforded by "Faust" for weird and startling scenic effects was by no means overlooked.

This week's bill will prove thoroughly satisfactory to all Majestic patrons, as shown by the large house and constant applause last night.

Williams' Ideals Do Good Work. logues. At the close of the first and third acts—there are only three in the production—the curtain was allowed to descend in a stillness that was relieved only by a most audible sigh of relief.

Williams' Ideals Do Good Work.

The Ideal Extravaganza Com under the personal management of williams, played to two standing-

ciative audiences. they brought with them the most enter-taining features on the bill. Two large ward Manny, in the star roles, acquitted formances of the week yesterday, and it is safe to say that the Elinore Sisters on the boards. Original and catchy tractions. They have a good run of talk, several attractive songs, and filled in their time with both to the manifest satisfaction of their friends in front. The real novelty of the bill was offered by Lesky and Rolfe in the military octet and "The Girl With the Baton." The latter is Mabel Keith, who made her entrance from the front of the thester, took the director's chair and

poodle.
Terry and Elmer offer a sketch, "The
Doctor and the Show Girl," which has o possible excuse except to introduce dance specialty by each. Zazell

TO STUDY NEGROES IN NATIVE AFRICA

Knowledge of Their Traits and History Pitifully

Ethnological Bureau to Explore Unknown Continent.

A new scientific investigation of the race question, involving sending scientific parties to all parts of Africa, studying the progenitors of the American negro on his native heath, his ori-gin and development before he came in contact with civilization, and especially aiming to determine his destiny as a

alming to determine his destiny as a result of his association with the white race, is now proposed as the next great work to be taken up by the Bureau of American Ethnology.

Demands for such a study have come from many quarters lately. An official of the bureau is authority for the statement that the amount of information about the nearo in his native. formation about the negro in his native Africa, his racial history, development and native traits, is pitifully small.

Twelve Per Cent of Citizenship. "The negro constitutes about 12 per cent of American citizenship," said this official, "and his presence here is widely regarded as the nation's greatest problem. Yet we know almost nothing about the negro."

Inquiry seems to bear out this state

ment. Every other race in the world has been subjected to study, analysis, investigation. The African black has been comparatively neglected. Of the millions in the United States, nothing is known. They are from tribes having widely different origins and histories, physical and intellectual characteristics.

Miss Nethersole's "Sapho," with which fessor of political economy at Yale. Death Comes Too Soon.

This article cannot full to interest says when like a could-blooded, scientific that and plants that the chief reason why the state of things. Prof. Norton examples that the chief reason why the country doesn't get rich any faster is time persons die before they have made country doesn't get rich any faster is time persons die before they have made some of things. Prof. Norton examples and plants that the chief reason why the country doesn't get rich any faster is time persons die before they have made persons die before the have die before the have made persons die before the have die bef

BUT PLAY DID NOT ter advantage than in any other play of this season's repertoire in which the

The Ideal Extravaganza Company, der the personal management of Sam Williams, played to two standing-roomonly houses at Kernan's Lyceum yesterday and last night. The costumes and scenery were extraordinary for a company of this character and the chorus was exceptionally well trained. The specialties were well received by appre-

"The Other Fellow," Frank O'Brien, themselves with credit, and there was songs were introduced during the two

"NOAH'S ARK" PRODUCED

IN BALTIMORE MAKES HIT

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

LOSES WAGGAMAN SUIT

The Catholic University of America cannot, according to a decision by Justice Anderson, recover \$78,000 alleged to have been due on notes given by John F. Waggaman to his brother, Thomas E. Waggaman to his brother, Thomas E. Waggaman, and indorsed by the latter to the university.

The court held that the university of the princeton Triangle Club. That the performance was appreciated the play with the Lee-Rod Amusement of well-known actors. In these his imitation of George M. Cohan was far the Company in which the Lee-Rod Amusement of this playeright-comedian that has been seen in Washington.

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pensities have ample scope in the role of "Bill," the bo'sun of the ark, and his Gizeh, Egypt, with the pyramids seen in the distance. All the fun arises from the incursions of 'Americans actors and contresses and "promoters." They captivate the Egyptian ruler and furnish the grand problem by blowing out of the pyramids with dynamite a mummy 5,000 years old, and his wife.

He turns out to be Ptolemy I, King of Egypt, and he naturally wants his throne and kingdom back. Such a situation gives opportunities for fun, of which the Princetonians take full advantage, and the laughs of the audience were frequent.

The hits of the evening were the exquisite costumes of the "women" of the cast, and the solos. The students who